

1       1. A device for locating an item packaged in a container  
2       among potentially obscuring protective material, said device  
3       comprises:

4               an elongated flexible tether extractably loaded upon a  
5           dispenser anchorable to said container.

1       2. The device of Claims 1, wherein said tether comprises a  
2           first end connected to a fastener attachable to said item.

1       3. *Draft BT* The device of Claims 2, wherein said dispenser  
2       comprises a stratified body having a bottom adhesive layer  
3       and a top layer.

1       4. The device of Claims 3, wherein said tether is formed  
2       integrally with said top layer.

1       5. The device of Claims 4, wherein said tether further  
2       comprises a plurality of undulations thereby forming a  
3       resiliency enhancing structure.

1       6. The device of Claims 3, which further comprises said top  
2       layer being shaped to form a weakened bond between said  
3       tether and a remainder portion of said top layer.

1       7. The device of Claims 6, wherein said weakened bond  
2       comprises an aperture separating a portion of said tether  
3       from said remainder portion.

1       8. The device of Claims 4, wherein said top layer is formed  
2       from a single piece of flexible sheet material.

1       9. The device of Claims 8, wherein said flexible sheet  
2       material is selected from the group consisting of an  
3       elastomeric, vinyl, or latex rubber.

1       10. The method of Claim 1, wherein said tether is  
2       separable into one or more subtethers.

1       11. The device of Claims 2, wherein said fastener comprises  
2       a widened portion of said tether into a sheet-like pad.

1       12. The device of Claims 11, wherein said pad is shaped to  
2       form an attachment eye through said pad.

1       13. The device of Claims 11, wherein said device further  
2       comprises an adhesive disk formed on a first surface of said  
3       pad.

1       14. The device of Claims 1, wherein said dispenser further  
2       comprises a badge ~~adapted~~ to carry item identification  
3       information.

1       15. The device of Claims 2, wherein said tether is adapted  
2       to carry an electrical signal indicating connection of said  
3       fastener to said item.

1       16. The device of Claims 2, wherein said fastener is  
2       selected from the group consisting of:

3           a piece of sticky tape;

4           an amount of glue;

5           a rivet;

6           a staple

7           complementary magnetic strips;

8           complementary hook-and-vane fasteners;

9           twist tie materials;

10          a clip; and

11          a sealable bag.

12       17. A device for locating an item packaged within a  
13       container among potentially obscuring protective material  
14       comprises:

15           an elongated flexible tether having a first end  
16       connected to an anchorment and a second end attachable to  
17       said item; and

18           means for dispensing a portion of said tether from said  
19       anchorment.

20       18. The device of Claim 17, which further comprises means  
21       for fastening said second end to said container.

22       19. A method for packaging an item for transport in a  
23       container among potentially obscuring protective material

3 comprises:

4 releasably fastening a first end of a tether-based  
5 connector to said item; and  
6 anchoring a second end of said connector to said  
7 container.

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comprises dispensing a length of tether from said connector.

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